



**OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**  
**JULIANA STRATTON – LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

**RESTORE, REINVEST AND RENEW (R3) BOARD**

Tuesday, October 15, 2019  
2:00pm

*Location*

Michael A. Bilandic Building  
160 N. LaSalle St. Chicago, IL  
Room #N-502

**Draft Meeting Minutes**

Ex-Officio	Name	Present	Phone	Absent
Lt. Governor's Office	Juliana Stratton	X		
Attorney General	Sharisse Kimbro	X		
DCEO	Erin Guthrie			X
IDPH	Dr. Ngozi Ezike	X		
IDOC	Rob Jeffreys	X		
ICJIA	Jason Stamps	X		
IDES	Andrew Fox	X		
Sec. Human Services	Grace B. Hou	X		
Maj. Senator	Kimberly Lightford	X		

Ex-Officio	Name	Present	Phone	Absent
Min. Senator	Jason Barickman			excused due to no teleconferencing capability
Maj. House	Jehan Gordon-Booth	X		
Min. House	Lindsay Parkhurst	X		

**I. Call to order and Roll Call**

The call to order was made at 2:07 p.m. on October 15, 2019.

Dartesia Pitts took the roll call and a quorum was established.

**II. Approval of Agenda**

Secretary Hou motioned the approval of the agenda. Representative Parkhurst seconded the motion.

**III. Chairperson's Remarks**

Lieutenant Governor Stratton discussed the importance of the work of this board. She introduced her office's Justice, Equity and Opportunity initiative in relation to the R3 statutory mandate and its central components were discussed. She indicated that the eligible areas must be identified by December 22<sup>nd</sup> and that the researchers come from a wide variety of institutions from ICJIA to SIU to UIC.

**IV. New Business**

An overview of the board composition was summarized consisting of 12 initial ex-officio members, four community-based providers or community development organizations (no more than two from Cook County and at least one specializing in services to our immigrant population), two members with expertise in violence reduction, two formerly incarcerated adults (over the age of 24) and two formerly incarcerated youth (ages 17-24).

The eligible area factors were discussed and consist of the following: gun injury rate, unemployment rates, child poverty, commitments to and returns from the Department of Corrections. The eligible areas will be determined by ICJIA, in coordination with the JEO in the Lt. Gov.'s office, and this must be finalized by December 22, 2019 (which is within 4 months after the effective date of the law).

The grants may be used for five main purposes: economic development, violence prevention, youth reentry services, and civil legal aid.

June 25, 2020 is the deadline for the board to develop a process for soliciting applications, develop a template for grantees to submit their plans and activities, identify resources to support the full administration (capacity building) and evaluation of the program, review grant applications and proposed agreements, approve the distribution of resources, development a performance measurement system that focuses on positive outcomes, develop a process to support ongoing monitoring and evaluation of the programs, deliver annual report to GA and Governor, and the Board must also facilitate the provision of training and technical assistance for capacity building in R3 areas.

The Department of Revenue projects that this industry will generate over \$57 million in tax revenue and licensing fees in FY20. This year (FY20), ICJIA, for the R3 program, was appropriated \$10 million for R3. Pros and cons were discussed about overall initial funding.

The Department of Revenue projects that the revenue growth as the cannabis market matures in Illinois. The state could generate \$253.5 million in FY22, \$323.5 million in FY23, and \$375.5 million in FY24. Because this money goes into a Special Fund in the Treasury, it will roll over each fiscal year.

General questions by the members surrounding the process, technical assistance, selection of communities and the overall diversity of ICJIA were answered by ICJIA

Director Rallins walks through the tentative timeline and discusses equity. Technical assistance and visiting tours will be conducted by the Lieutenant Governor, legislators, and agencies to teach potential applicants about GATA.

Discussions were had about communities that may not be selected as eligible areas and whether other opportunities existed for the communities that were not chosen. It was discussed that research collected from ICJIA can be used in knowing how to help those communities as well.

Senator Lightford raised concerns about how ICJIA has not done an equitable job in the distribution of funds for gun violence. She advised the board that revisiting the results of ICJIA's processes is necessary.

ICJIA will prioritize R3 for technical assistance and will work in concert with DHS. ICJIA and DHS were appropriated \$1.5 million for technical assistance to create economies of scale.

Representative Gordon-Booth discussed how the legislative intent must be prioritized as it relates to black and brown communities.

Senator Lightford raised concerns about the Board dealing with R3 sections of communities that may not qualify.

The R3 Board must qualify areas comprehensively. The Board should pay attention to communities that require assistance.

The NOFO will be open for a minimum of 30 days.

A Review was conducted on the Guiding Principles' draft with a focus on emphasizing repairing the harm of the War on Drugs. Discussions of the Guiding Principles will take place during the next meeting.

### **Presentation by ICJIA**

Director Stamps turns the conversation over to research staff who identify areas and administer grants. The staff work in conjunction with the Working Group about the research process. UIC School of Social Work, MPC, Urban Labs, SIU are some groups mentioned within the research team to highlight diversity.

While examining data sets and factors, the Board discussed continuing with the factors established within the legislation to avoid future conflict. DPH data sets are used for gun violence – hospital discharge, gun injury, vital record death data. Census data will be used for unemployment and child poverty. Data sets on incarceration are difficult to obtain by zip code. The DOC's data will help inform of parole, entrances, and exits.

Discussions continued regarding the ideal situation of DOC collecting exact addresses, but zip codes from DOC are usually not precise. Zip codes would be collected in four-year periods while trying to avoid data suppression. An example was provided about too few people residing within a zip code.

Research methods were explained as well as the limitations of analysis. DCEO explained the DIA map and how a short timeline forces zip code data. The DCEO is analyzing arrests, poverty, and other factors.

The divisions of ICJIA were explained; FSGU vs. R&A. FSGU is going to write the NOFO, etc. R&A conducts research.

The board discussed funding communities according to need, how broad differs from deep needs, and the importance of refreshing resources yearly to get better data.

The final discussion included how to engage all member legislators.

### **V. Public Comments**

No public comments were made.

### **VI. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:28PM.

The next meetings for the R3 Board; November 18<sup>th</sup> from 10AM-12PM and December 16<sup>th</sup> from 10AM-12PM.